



# Ovingham CE First School

## Weekly News

25th November 2022

### Dates at a Glance

Mon 28th Nov—  
Thurs 1st Dec—  
Scholastic Book Fair

Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec – PTA  
Christmas Fair

Tues 13<sup>th</sup> Dec – Y1/  
Y2 Christmas Perfor-  
mance (afternoon  
and evening)

Wed 14<sup>th</sup> Dec - Re-  
ception Christmas  
Performance  
(afternoon only)

Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> Dec – Y3/  
Y4 Christmas Perfor-  
mance (afternoon  
and evening)

Fri 16<sup>th</sup> Dec – Christ-  
mas Jumper Day

Fri 16<sup>th</sup> Dec – Christ-  
mas Lunch

Tues 20<sup>th</sup> Dec –  
Christmas Service at  
St Mary's

Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec – Non  
-uniform (School  
closes for Christmas)

### Reception

Mrs Barber will start her maternity leave on 5<sup>th</sup> December – we wish her good luck until we see her again next year. We are looking forward to welcoming Mr Robinson who will be teaching in Reception until her return.

### Book Fair

Next week we are having a Scholastic Book Fair in school. Books are available to buy directly from the fair or order through school.

Each class will have the opportunity to visit the Fair and browse the books at some point during the week, they will be able to complete a wish list to take home.

Parents are invited to visit the fair Mon (in Reception), Tues and Thurs after school in the hall.

The deadline for orders is 12pm Friday.



Scan the QR code to pay for your books online  
or visit [bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/pay](https://bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/pay)

### PTA Christmas Fair

Only one week to go until the Christmas Fair! The PTA are very busy getting organised and the choir are practising songs to keep you entertained.

Remember to buy your raffle numbers from the shop area on Parentmail.

We look forward to the return of this event after the last few years, please support the PTA and the children by joining us.

### Safeguarding

We regularly talk to the children about their role in safeguarding, how they can play an active part in keeping themselves and their peers safe, and the school curriculum includes teaching about positive relationships. The children are made aware that they can talk to any adult in school if they have any worries about anything in their lives and they are all aware of who the safeguarding team in school are:

Our designated Safeguarding Lead is Mr Hudson, with Mrs Ward, Mrs Barber, Miss Allen and Mrs Finney all trained as deputy DSLs. Dr Matt Thomas is our Governor responsible for safeguarding throughout school.

If you have any questions about the safeguarding processes please speak to one of the team.

### Children in Need

A spotty good time was had by all on Friday and we were able to raise a grand total of £125.00.

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### Clubs:

Karate – Mon 3.10 – 4.10 – open to children from Y1-Y4

Y3 Multi-Skills – Wed 3.10 – 4.10

Whole School Bible Explorers Club 3.10 – 4.10

### Weekly Events:

Monday - Guitar Lessons with Mr Newbrook

Wednesday – PE with Newcastle Utd

Thursday - Keyboard Lessons with Mrs Shevlin

### Reception Parent Lunch

Our first Parent Lunch took place on Wednesday, thank you to Mrs Pizzey and the catering team for providing this happy service. Our Reception children were very excited to have their adult join them for lunch. Please check for dates for other years which are already set out on the website calendar.

### Christmas Performances

Rehearsals for the Christmas Performances have started in earnest, costumes are being prepared and the children are learning their lines and practising new songs.

Admission to the Performances will be by programme costing £1 each and full details of how to buy your programme will be issued on Monday next week. Please note that because of safety regulations we are very limited in how many people can attend each performance, we therefore limit the initial programme orders to one programme per performance, per child. We realise that you will all want to have more than one guest and ask for patience as once everyone has had the opportunity to buy a programme to their preferred time and date, all remaining places will be released. We usually find that everyone is able to attend who wants to.

The times and dates for the Performances are:

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December – KS1 (Y1 and Y2), One Night in Bethlehem. Afternoon – 1.30pm, Evening – 6.00pm

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December – Reception, We're Going on a Baby Hunt! Afternoon only 1.45pm

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December – KS2 (Y3 and Y4), Jack and the Beanstalk. Afternoon – 1.30pm, Evening – 6.00pm

For the evening performances, the children will need to come into school at 5.30pm in order to change into their costumes.

### Head-Lice

We would remind parents to check regularly for any sign of head-lice. Advice on dealing with head-lice can be found at <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/>